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46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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A MEMORIAL

**EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL IN ITS FIGHT AGAINST
TERRORISM**

**WHEREAS, the ongoing threat of terrorism since September
11, 2001 has hurt the economies of New Mexico and the United
States, damaging tourism and creating a negative economic
atmosphere; and**

**WHEREAS, the ongoing threat of terrorism at home and
abroad has required enhanced security for our citizens and
diverted local, state and federal resources from other critical
domestic programs; and**

**WHEREAS, the United States and Israel are engaged in a
common struggle against terrorism; and**

**WHEREAS, Palestinian organizations are conducting an
organized and deliberate campaign of terror aimed at inflicting**

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1 as many casualties as possible on the Israeli population; and

2 WHEREAS, the Palestinian campaign of terror includes the
3 use of suicide bomber attacks; and

4 WHEREAS, Israel has lost nearly seven hundred lives to the
5 Palestinian campaign of terror, which as a percentage of their
6 population would equate to the United States losing thirty
7 thousand lives in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Yasser Arafat and others in the Palestinian
10 leadership have failed to live up to their commitment to
11 nonviolence as set forth in the Oslo Accord; and

12 WHEREAS, forces directly under Yasser Arafat's control
13 have murdered scores of innocent Israelis; and

14 WHEREAS, documents obtained from the offices of the
15 Palestine authority demonstrate that the authority provides
16 support for acts of terror, including suicide bombings; and

17 WHEREAS, Israel's military operations are an effort to
18 defend itself against the ongoing acts of terror and are aimed
19 at dismantling the terrorist infrastructure;

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
21 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that it express its
22 solidarity with Israel in its fight against terrorism; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it urge all parties in the
24 region to vigorously pursue efforts to achieve a just and
25 lasting peace in the Middle East.

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